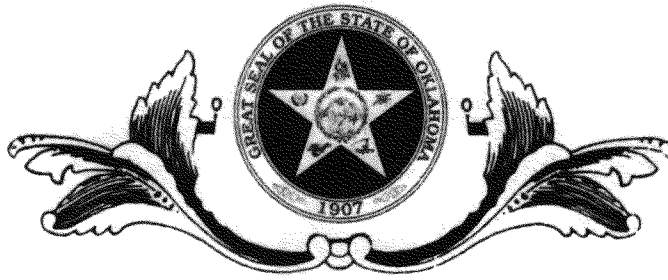


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Proclamation

Whereas, community health centers are a cost-efficient means of delivering high quality health care to Oklahomans in medically underserved areas; and

Whereas, 22 community health centers operating over 180 locations provide access to care for over 330,000 Oklahomans, regardless of insurance status or ability to pay; and

Whereas, community health centers are locally owned and serve as critical economic engines, helping to power local economies by generating \$823 million in economic output in some of Oklahoma's most economically challenged communities; and

Whereas, the community health center model is an effective means of reducing health care disparities and overcoming barriers to health care access, and in doing so, improves health care outcomes and reduces health care system costs; and

Whereas, Oklahoma Community Health Center Week recognizes health centers, their dedicated staff, board members, and all those responsible for their continued growth and success;

Now Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim August 6-12, 2023, as

"Community Health Center Week"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this thirty-first day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the State of Oklahoma in the one-hundred and fifteen year.

Brian Benjamin
SECRETARY OF STATE

Kevin Stitt
GOVERNOR

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